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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: ASH, et al.

For: Apparatus And Method To Initialize Information Disposed In An Information Storage  
And Retrieval System

Enclosed are the following:

- ☒ Specification 17 pages; Claims 8 pages; Abstract 1 page  
☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney  
☒ Sheet(s) of drawings 7 pages  
☒ An assignment of the invention to: International Business Machines Corporation  
☐ A certified copy of                      application No.                     , filed                       
☒ Prior Art Disclosure Statement  
☐ Preliminary Amendment

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 USC 119 by way of                      patent application  
No.                      filed                     .

Benefit is hereby claimed under Title 35, United States Code 119(e) of United States provisional  
application No.                      filed                     .

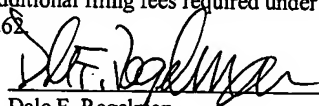
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TOTAL CLAIMS:	20 - 20 =	x 9 =	x 18 =
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS:	3 - 3 =	x 43 =	x 86 =
MULT. DEPEND. CLAIMS:		+ 145 =	+ 290 =
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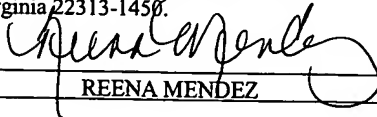
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